Amendments to the Specification

In the TITLE, please replace with the following:

--Method and Apparatus for Accessing CIM Management Information Using SNMP Data Formats--

In the ABSTRACT, please replace with the following:

--A method and apparatus for requesting access to CIM management information using SNMP data formats is disclosed. An SNMP client requests access to management information, that is maintained by a CIM object manager ("CIMOM"). The request is received by the system running the CIMOM process and the requested data items are mapped from SNMP formats to an associated CIM object using a mapping file. The appropriate CIM objects are then accessed by CIMOM and CIM object properties are either retrieved or set. The CIM object properties are then mapped to SNMP variables using the mapping file and an SNMP response message is prepared. The response message is then sent to the SNMP client.--

In the SPECIFICATION, please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, lines 17-18, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Computer program logic implementing all or part of the functionality previously described herein may be embodied in various forms, including, but in no way limited to, a source code form, a computer executable form, and various intermediate forms (e.g., forms generated by an assembler, compiler, linker, or locator.) Source code may include a series of computer program instructions implemented in any of various programming languages (*e.g.*, an object code, an assembly language, or a high-level language such as **FORTRAN™** ~~Fortran~~, C, C++, JAVA, or HTML™) for use with various operating systems or operating environments. The source code may define and use various data structures and communication messages. The source code may be in a computer executable form (*e.g.*, via an interpreter), or the source code may be converted e.g., via a translator, assembler, or compiler) into a computer executable form.--